STATE PLAN UNDER TITLE XIX OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT

STATE: Nebraska

ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS OF THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE UNIT

The Medical Assistance Unit is composed of two divisions within the Department of Social Services - the Medical Services Division and the Special Services for Children and Adults Division.

The Medical Services Division is managed by an Administrator. The Division is organized into three units: Operations, Medical Programs, and Managed Care.

The Operations Unit is responsible for home health care and long term care review; hospital policy and reimbursement development; surveillance and utilization review; and various administrative functions of the division.

The Medical Program Unit is responsible for primary care services and psychiatric services. This includes non-institutional, non-psychiatric services such as dental, physician, visual, therapies, etc. Payment methodology is developed, maintained, and monitored by unit staff.

The Managed Care Unit is responsible for administration of the Nebraska Health Connection, Nebraska's Medicaid Managed Care program under approved 1915(b) waivers. This unit is responsible for formulating the request for proposal (RFP) for the program and well as negotiating contracts with the final selected contractors. The unit is also responsible for submittal of appropriate waivers. Quality assurance functions and contract monitoring are ongoing functions of this unit.

The Special Services for Children and Adults Division is managed by an administrator and has administrative responsibility for the Department's home and community-based waivers under section 1915(c) of the Act as well as for optional targeted case management services.

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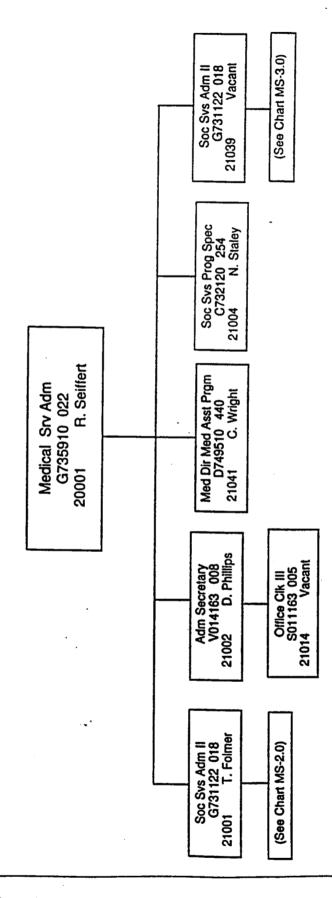
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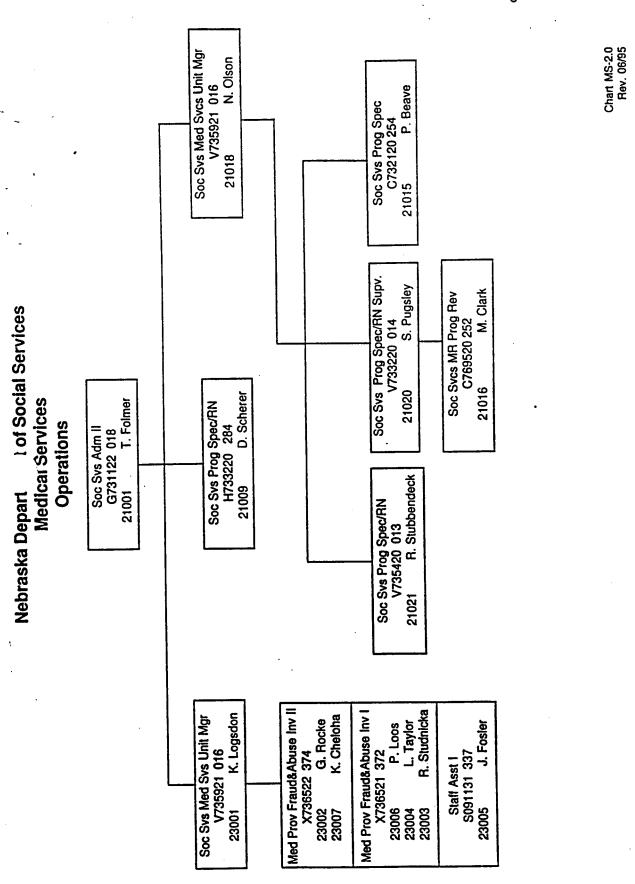


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